



**Regular Meeting of the Environmental Commission  
June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 6:00 PM  
Permitting And Development Center, Events Center, Room 1405  
6310 Wilhelmina Delco Drive  
Austin, Texas 78752**

**Some members of the Environmental Commission will be participating by videoconference.**

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Public comment will be allowed in-person or remotely via telephone. Speakers may only register to speak on an item once either in-person or remotely and will be allowed up to three minutes to provide their comments. Registration no later than noon the day before the meeting is required for remote participation by telephone.

To register to speak remotely, call or email Elizabeth Funk, Watershed Protection Department, at (512) 568-2244, [Elizabeth.Funk@austintexas.gov](mailto:Elizabeth.Funk@austintexas.gov), no later than noon, the day before the meeting. The following information is required: speaker name, item number(s) they wish to speak on, whether they are for/against/neutral, email address and telephone number (must be the same number that will be used to call into the meeting).

**CURRENT COMMISSIONERS:**

Haris Qureshi  
Rachel Scott  
Mariana Krueger  
Melinda Schiera  
Hanna Cofer  
Colin Nickells

Jennifer Bristol, Secretary  
Kevin Ramberg, Chair  
David Sullivan  
Richard Brimer  
Perry Bedford

**AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approve the minutes of the Environmental Commission Regular Meeting on May 17, 2023  
(5 minutes)

## **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS**

2. Election of the Environmental Commission Vice Chair for May 1, 2023 through April 30, 2024 term (10 minutes)

## **STAFF BRIEFINGS**

3. Update on Austin's reservoirs monitoring and management efforts — Brent Bellinger, Environmental Scientist, Watershed Protection Department (30 minutes)

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

4. **Name:** Greystar 290 C14-85-288.79 (Restrictive Covenant Amendment)  
**Applicant:** Richard Suttle, Armbrust & Brown, PLLC  
**Location:** 8112 Scenic Brook Drive, Austin, Texas 78736  
**Council District:** District 8, City of Austin Limited Purpose Jurisdiction  
**Staff:** Leslie Lilly, Environmental Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department  
**Watershed:** Williamson Creek Watershed, Barton Springs Zone, Drinking Water Protection Zone  
**Request:** Restrictive Covenant Amendment  
**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends with conditions  
(30 minutes)
5. **Name:** Scenic Brook Multifamily Wastewater Service Extension Request #5172  
**Applicant:** Jewels Cain, Land Development Consultant, Armbrust & Brown, PLLC  
**Location:** 8352 W US 290 Hwy, Austin, Texas 78736  
**Council District:** District 8, City of Austin Limited Purpose Jurisdiction  
**Staff:** Kaela Champlin, Environmental Program Coordinator, Watershed Protection Department  
**Watershed:** Williamson Creek Watershed, Barton Springs Zone, Drinking Water Protection Zone  
**Request:** Wastewater Service Extension  
**Staff Recommendation:** Staff recommends the requested wastewater SER  
(30 minutes)

## **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

6. Presentation and possible action on the changing EPA air quality standards – Requested and Presented by Environmental Commission Member David Sullivan (15 minutes)

7. Discussion and possible action recommending an environmental study on the environmental impact of rescinding work-from-home telework and having City of Austin employees commute to a city-owned office – Requested and presented by Environmental Commission member Haris Qureshi **(15 minutes)**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

8. Urban Forestry Committee – Richard Brimer (Committee Chair), Colin Nickells, Rachel Scott, and Melinda Schiera
9. Report on the Joint Sustainability Committee – Haris Qureshi (member) and Richard Brimer (alternate member)
10. Report on the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan Citizen’s Advisory Committee – Jennifer Bristol
11. Report on the Joint Committee of the Environmental Commission and Parks and Recreation Board – Perry Bedford, Haris Qureshi, Kevin Ramberg, and Rachel Scott
12. Report on the South Central Waterfront Advisory Board – David Sullivan

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

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